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phenyl having morpholinyl, or benzoyl substituted with piperzinyll which has phenyl having 3-hexyloxy.

3. (Amended) A compound of claim 16, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperidyl which has hydroxy and phenyl having lower alkoxy, benzoyl substituted with piperidyl which has phenyl having lower alkoxy, or benzoyl substituted with piperidyl which has piperidyl having cyclo(lower) alkyl.

4. (Amended) A compound of claim 16, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with 1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridyl which has phenyl having lower alkoxy.

5. (Amended) A compound of claim 16, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with phenyl which has phenyl having pentyloxy.

6. A compound of claim 16, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with thiadiazoyl which has phenyl having methoxy, benzoyl substituted with thiadiazoyl which has phenyl having butoxy, benzoyl substituted with thiadiazoyl which has phenyl having pentyl, benzoyl substituted with thiadiazoyl which has phenyl having hexyl, benzoyl substituted with thiadiazoyl which has phenyl having higher alkoxy, benzoyl substituted with thiadiazoyl which has phenyl having phenoxy(lower)alkoxy,

benzoyl substituted with thiadiazolyl which has piperidyl having higher alkyl, and
benzoyl substituted with thiadiazolyl which has phenyl(lower) alkyl having lower
alkoxy.

7. (Amended) A compound of claim 16, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with thienyl which has phenyl having lower alkoxy, or
benzoyl substituted with furyl which has phenyl having lower alkoxy.

8. (Amended) A compound of claim 16, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl(lower)alkyl which has phenyl having
cyclo(lower)alkyl, or

benzoyl substituted with phenyl(lower)alkynyl which has lower alkoxy.

9. A compound of claim 16, wherein

R¹ is thiazolyl-carbonyl substituted with phenyl which has phenyl having lower
alkoxy.

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11. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises, as an active
ingredient, a compound of claim 16 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof in
admixture with pharmaceutically acceptable carriers or excipients.

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13. (Amended) A compound of claim 16 or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof for use as a medicament.

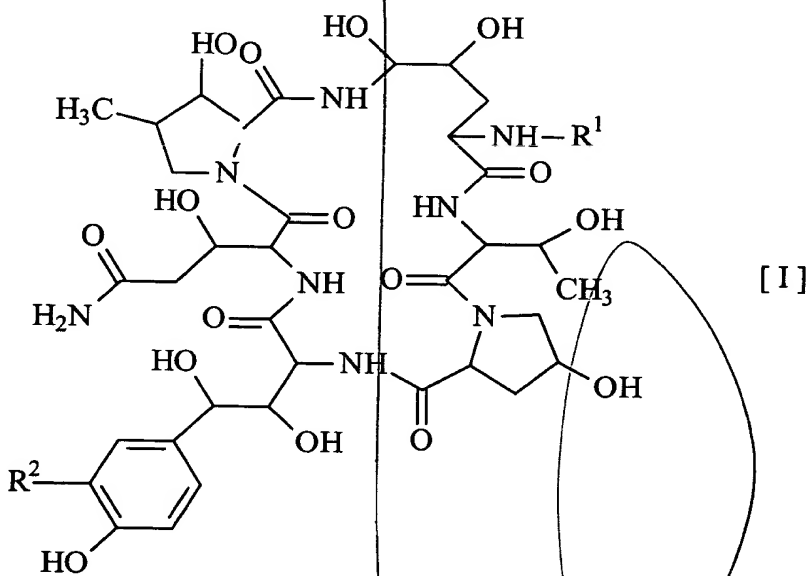
Cancel Claims 14 and 15.

Please add the following claims 16 and 17:

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--16. (New) A polypeptide compound of the following general formula [I]:

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wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl or piperidyl, wherein the piperazinyl or piperidyl is substituted with a substituent selected from the group consisting of:

- phenyl having cyclo(lower)alkoxy;
- phenyl having morpholinyl;
- phenyl having phenyl(lower)alkoxy;
- piperidyl having cyclo(lower)alkyl;

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piperidyl having higher alkyl;

phenyl(lower)alkyl having lower alkoxy, and cyclo(lower)alkyl, wherein the cyclo(lower)alkyl may have cyclo(lower)alkyl or lower alkyl;

benzoyl substituted with piperidyl, wherein the piperidyl has hydroxyl and optionally phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with piperidyl which has phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with thiadiazolyl, wherein the thiadiazolyl has a substituent selected from the group consisting of phenyl having pentyl, phenyl having hexyl, phenyl having methoxy, phenyl having butoxy, and phenyl having higher alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with phenyl which has phenyl having pentyloxy;

benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl which has 3-hexyloxyphenyl;

benzoyl substituted with 1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with thienyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with furyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl (lower) alkyl which may have phenyl having cyclo(lower)alkyl;

benzoyl substituted with phenyl(lower)alkynyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy;

lower alkanoyl substituted with thiazolyl which may have phenyl having phenyl substituted with lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with imidazothiazolyl, wherein the imidazothiazolyl may have a suitable substituent selected from the group consisting of phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having phenyl substituted with lower alkoxy and phenyl having phenyl;

benzoyl substituted with isoxazolyl having halogen which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy; or

4-[5-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)isoxazol-3-yl]benzoyl; and

R² is hydroxy, hydroxysulfonyloxy or lower alkoxy, with the proviso that R² is not hydroxysulfonyloxy, when R¹ is 4-[5-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)isoxazol-3-yl]benzoyl, and a salt thereof.

17 (New) A compound of claim 16, wherein

R¹ is 4-[5-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)isoxazol-3-yl]benzoyl, and

R² is hydroxy or lower alkoxy.

REMARKS

Claims 2-9, 11, 13, and 16-17 are active in the present application. Claims 1 and 15 have been rewritten as Claims 16 and 17. Claims 2-9, 11, 13 and 15 have been amended to depend on Claim 16. No new matter is added. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The rejection of Claims 1 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph is respectfully traversed.

Applicants submit that instant claims as amended combined with the description of the various substituents attached to the compound of formula [I] on pages 9-25 in the specification provides the skilled artisan with clear definitions for the substituents. Regarding R¹ in Claim 15, Applicants have rewritten Claim 15 as Claim 17 to correct an obvious clerical error and is drawn to the elected subject matter. Accordingly, withdrawal of this ground of rejection is respectfully requested.